

News Release

Second Annual Mary Tyrrell Health Walk for Scholarships brings 112 Participants Together to raise \$2,000 for Athletic Scholarships

By Itollefts on Wednesday, September 12, 2012Mary Tyrrell had a beautiful smile, and if she had been present on Saturday, September 8,

2012, to see all the participants in the 2nd Annual Mary Tyrrell Health Walk for Scholarships, she certainly would have been smiling. The walk, with its 112 participants, raised some \$2,000 for scholarships for student-athletes.

Unfortunately Mary was not there, and the reason for the walk in her memory was not just to raise money but also to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of heart disease and to encourage healthy eating and exercise.

The inaugural walk in memory of Mary Tyrrell, wife of Bill Tyrrell, director of athletic fundraising, was held in the fall of 2011. The Tyrrells established a scholarship to support student-athletes through the Bill and Mary Tyrrell Endowment fund in 2009, and throughout the years, they have given both time and financial support to encourage student-athletes on the Crookston campus.

Bill Tyrrell was deeply appreciative of the participation and this tribute to his wife. "I was touched by the generosity and kindness of those who walked and all those who gave financially to support our student-athletes," Tyrrell said. "I know Mary would have appreciated everyone, and it was great to see the turnout for the second year of this event. Thank you to all who made this walk possible and who supported this passion for student-athletes of Mary's and of mine."

The University of Minnesota, Crookston is an NCAA Division II Institution and a member of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC). The Golden Eagle Equestrian team is a member of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). For more information, visit the Golden Eagle Athletics website at www.goldeneaglesports.com.

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In the photo: Several football from '90-'91 and '91-'92 joined Bill Tyrrell for the 2nd annual Mary Tyrrell Health Walk for Scholarships on Saturday, September 8. Left to right are Kenny Bond ex. '96, Jesse Maruska '93, Jon LaBine ex. '93, former head football coach Jim Sims, Chad Simons '94, Jimmy Miller ex. '93, Vance Johnson ex. '93, Bill Tyrrell.



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